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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (cancelled).
- (cancelled)
- 3. (cancelled)
- 4. (previously presented) The instrument cluster according to claim 9, wherein the light guide comprises an incoupling surface and an outcoupling surface, and the light guide at least partially surrounds the light source on the printed circuit board.
- 5. (previously presented) The instrument cluster according to claim 9, wherein the light source is a light-emitting diode or a laser diode above which the light guide is arranged and which couples the emitted light directly into the light guide.
- 6. (previously presented) The instrument cluster according to claim 9, wherein the light guide is arranged to deflect the emitted light between the incoupling surface and outcoupling surface.
- 7. (previously presented) The instrument cluster according to claim 9, wherein the light guide comprises plastic in one piece with the frame.
- 8. (previously presented) The instrument cluster according to claim 7, wherein the frame and the light guide comprise one piece of a two-component injection molding.

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- 9. (currently amended) An instrument cluster, comprising:
 - a printed circuit board having a board surface,
- a display panel having a first surface and a second surface and arranged directly on the board surface so that the display panel is arranged without a spacing from the printed circuit board, wherein the board surface extends across the second surface, and wherein the display panel is designed as a dial printed on the printed circuit board.
 - a frame in which the printed circuit board is held,
- a light source arranged on the printed circuit board in order to generate light for illuminating a display, and
- a light guide arranged in the frame in an area adjoining the printed circuit board such that light emitted by the light source is fed into the light guide and radiated onto the first surface of the display panel.
- 10. (new) An instrument cluster, comprising:
 - a printed circuit board having a board surface;
- a display panel having a first surface and a second surface and arranged directly on the board surface so that the display panel is arranged without a spacing from the printed circuit board, wherein the board surface extends across the second surface, and wherein the display panel is designed as a dial bonded on the printed circuit board;
 - a frame in which the printed circuit board is held;
- a light source arranged on the printed circuit board in order to generate light for illuminating a display; and
- a light guide arranged in the frame in an area adjoining the printed circuit board such that light emitted by the light source is fed into the light guide and radiated onto the first surface of the display panel.
- 11. (new) The instrument cluster according to claim 10, wherein the light guide comprises an incoupling surface and an outcoupling surface, and the light guide at least partially surrounds the light source on the printed circuit board.

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- 12. (new) The instrument cluster according to claim 10, wherein the light source is a light-emitting diode or a laser diode above which the light guide is arranged and which couples the emitted light directly into the light guide.
- 13. (new) The instrument cluster according to claim 10, wherein the light guide is arranged to deflect the emitted light between the incoupling surface and outcoupling surface.
- 14. (new) The instrument cluster according to claim 10, wherein the light guide comprises plastic in one piece with the frame.
- 15. (new) The instrument cluster according to claim 14, wherein the frame and the light guide comprise one piece of a two-component injection molding.